

Transition Partnership Project

Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Transition Age Youth

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Transition Partnership Project was designed to build partnerships between local education agencies (LEAs) and the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) for the purposes of successfully transitioning student- DOR consumers into meaningful employment and/or secondary education. Statewide, there are 87 programs administered through contractual agreements with local school districts and County Offices of Education.

Under these contractual agreements, the DOR assigns vocational rehabilitation counselors to be actively involved with the students and LEAs. The DOR counselors determines eligibility and provides enhanced vocational rehabilitation services for at least one year prior to the student-consumer leaving high school. The LEA provides exclusive training and enhanced programming to enable consumers to achieve employment utilizing community based instruction, vocational and work-site training, job placement, and follow-up services to exiting student-consumers.

FACTS

- Sixty percent of the 37,000 transition-aged students-consumers are currently served by Transition Partnership Programs.
- One out of two Transition Partnership Program *applicants* are successfully employed.
- Over 50% of the Transition Partnership Program consumers served are Black, Hispanic or Asian American; groups that have been historically underserved.
- Transition aged consumers (14-24) constituted over 30% of the DOR's total successful placements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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